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Joplin musician knows more than just guitar. Page 7

# New HUD restrictions deny students housing

By Monique Jamerson
Public Forum Editor

New HUD restrictions will prevent full-time students from renting certain apartments.

Housing and Urban Development is a tax credit property issue that turns away full-time students or students that have been full-time in the past twelve months.

Adrienne Thomas, assistant manager of the Northpark Apartments, said the state makes the decision that regulates who can rent from HUD regulated apartments.

"It's not that we don't want the students here, it's just that it's not our decision to make that decision," Thomas said.

Northpark Apartments will rent to a student who is part-time and has been for the last twelve months or non-students.

"The whole household cannot be made up of full-time students," Thomas said.

Elias Bichara, senior marketing major is a former tenant of the Northpark Apartments.

Bichara was told to vacate the premises due to the fact that he was a full-time student.

He thinks the rules are a contradiction because most students are "poor."

"I knew it was coming but I didn't care," Bichara said. "I think it's dumb because they claim their apartments are income-based but yet they won't let students live there."

Alexis Mallory, sophomore speech communication major, said she feels as if the state made a bad choice of location because it is so convenient for Missouri Southern students.

"If full-time students were allowed to live in Northpark Apartments, it might heighten attendance at Southern during the winter storms," said Mallory.

Oak Meadows Apartments are under the same restrictions and may add some of their own.

"We are looking for families who will remain in the apartments, and usually it is not a student," said Debbie Clemons, administrative assistant of the Oak Meadows.

"Not only do we not rent to full-time students but we do not rent to drug dealers, those who have been convicted of domestic abuse or those who have a criminal background."

Oak Meadows will rent to those who are single parents who are on Division of Family Services or students who have children and all renting depends on gross income.

The Park Apartments are under Section 42 of affordable housing.

They also do not rent to full-time students.

Susie Erwin, manager of Park, said all renting is based on income.

# Southern discovers treasures

## Pirate theme sets Homecoming tone

By Hallie Hocker
Staff Writer

Those seeking treasure need not look any further than Monday, the beginning of Missouri Southern's Homecoming week.

The theme for this year's homecoming is, "Discover the Treasures of Southern."

While digging for treasure is not in the agenda, students will have plenty of opportunities to participate and enjoy the festivities.

"Homecoming is really early this year," said Julie Blackford, director of student activities said. "Students are still excited to be here and the weather is still good. Hopefully the student organizations will get together and participate."

Activities begin Monday, when students show their Lion pride on "Green and Gold Day." Previously, students were encouraged to wear green and gold but it was never a theme day before.

"I'm not sure what to expect," Blackford said. "If people get crazy and show school spirit, that's awesome."

Meanwhile, royalty elections will begin Monday and end on Tuesday. The Penny-a-Vote contest, which started, Sept. 15 will continue through, Wednesday. Students can stop by the CAB office and contribute pennies in the jar of the instructor they think will look the best as a pirate. The instructor with the most pennies will wear a pirate outfit on Friday. The Student Alumni Association will be sponsoring this event.

In addition to royalty elections on Tuesday, students will have the opportunity to complete a pass to a receiver target in the quarterback challenge. The competition will take place from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. on the Oval.

On Wednesday students will have the opportunity to dress as a pirate and have their picture taken from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the Lion's Den.

Later, the Lions volleyball team will face Washburn University at 7 p.m. in Young Gymnasium. Two hundred Southern students will receive a free T-shirt at the

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**OUT WITH THE OLD**

Andy Tevis/The Chart

**Bill Green helps move couches out of Mitchell Hall during the morning of Sept. 15, making room for the new furniture delivered later that morning. The old furniture will eventually be reupholstered and returned to campus. Each room in Maupin, Mitchell and Stone Hall received two new chairs and a couch.**

# Police, firemen pay respects to families

By T.J. Gerlach and David Haut
Editor-in-Chief and Managing Editor

Tears, memories and frustrations plagued inhabitants of Ground Zero on the third anniversary of the 9-11 terrorist attacks.

Families and loved ones gathered in a concealed location on the south side of the site. Throughout the ceremony, families walked down a ramp onto the middle of the memorial where they left roses, tears and prayers. Parents and grandparents of the victims read the list of casualties along with poems and prayers for loved ones.

During the minutes of the attacks were moments of silence. The first took place at 8:46 a.m., the exact time American Airlines flight 11 crashed into the north tower.

A second moment of silence took place at 9:03 a.m., followed later by silence at 9:59 and 10:29 a.m., the minutes the towers collapsed.

Outside the gates, streams of people came to pay tribute to those 2,749 who perished in the attacks. Many were friends of the victims.

"I worked for a company in the north tower," said Howie Corrign, 25, New York City. "I can still see the faces of operators. I can still see my friends."

Corrign was a volunteer firefighter working at 45th and 5th in Manhattan. He tried to get to the site when he heard the first plane hit.

"They weren't letting anyone else through," he said. "I wanted to help."

Corrign was one of many outside the gates three years later, shedding tears for the friends he lost.

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Bill Shepherd/The Chart

**Students search for parking spots in Lot 38 — one of the more crowded lots on campus.**

# University has 'walking problem'

By Noelle Ott
Staff Writer

Some things just don't belong in certain places.

Take, for example, the kitten in the tree, the man in the women's restroom or tires on the grass. However, when the parking lots in front of the Oval get full, that is exactly where some cars can be found, on the grass. When one sees the crowded parking lots, it can make some wonder what the problem is. Does Missouri Southern not have enough parking places?

Ken Kennedy, manager of the Department of Public Safety, doesn't think Southern have a serious conflict with parking.

"We don't have a parking problem," Kennedy said. "We have a walking problem."

There are some parking lots that are usually not full, but in some cases they are not too close to the needed building either. For example, Lot 43, by the tennis courts, and Lot 18, behind Taylor Hall, are hardly ever full. Some improvements have been made to make parking easier on students. Lot 42, on the northeast corner of Duquesne Road and

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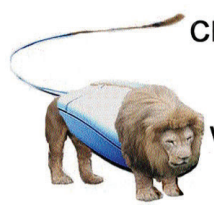

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Question of the week:
What are your educational priorities?

# *Chart* staff wins national award

**From Staff Reports**

The Society of Professional Journalists awarded *The Chart* a Mark of Excellence award at it 2004 national convention held Sept. 9-11 at the Grand Hyatt Hotel in New York City.

*The Chart* received the award in the national "Best Non-Daily Newspaper" category. This category was for college or university newspapers printed no more than once per week.

T.J. Gerlach, editor-in-chief, and David Haut, managing editor, as well as Jerry Manter, *The Chart*'s previous editor-in-chief, received the award at the Mark of Excellence awards banquet Sept. 11.

Also on Sept. 11, *The Chart* received recognition for winning Best in State in the 2004 Missouri College media Association Contest. Nate Billings, executive editor, Adam Fast, director of photography, Chris Heinrich, international editor, and J.R. Ledford, publications manager, received the award at the University Plaza Hotel in Springfield.

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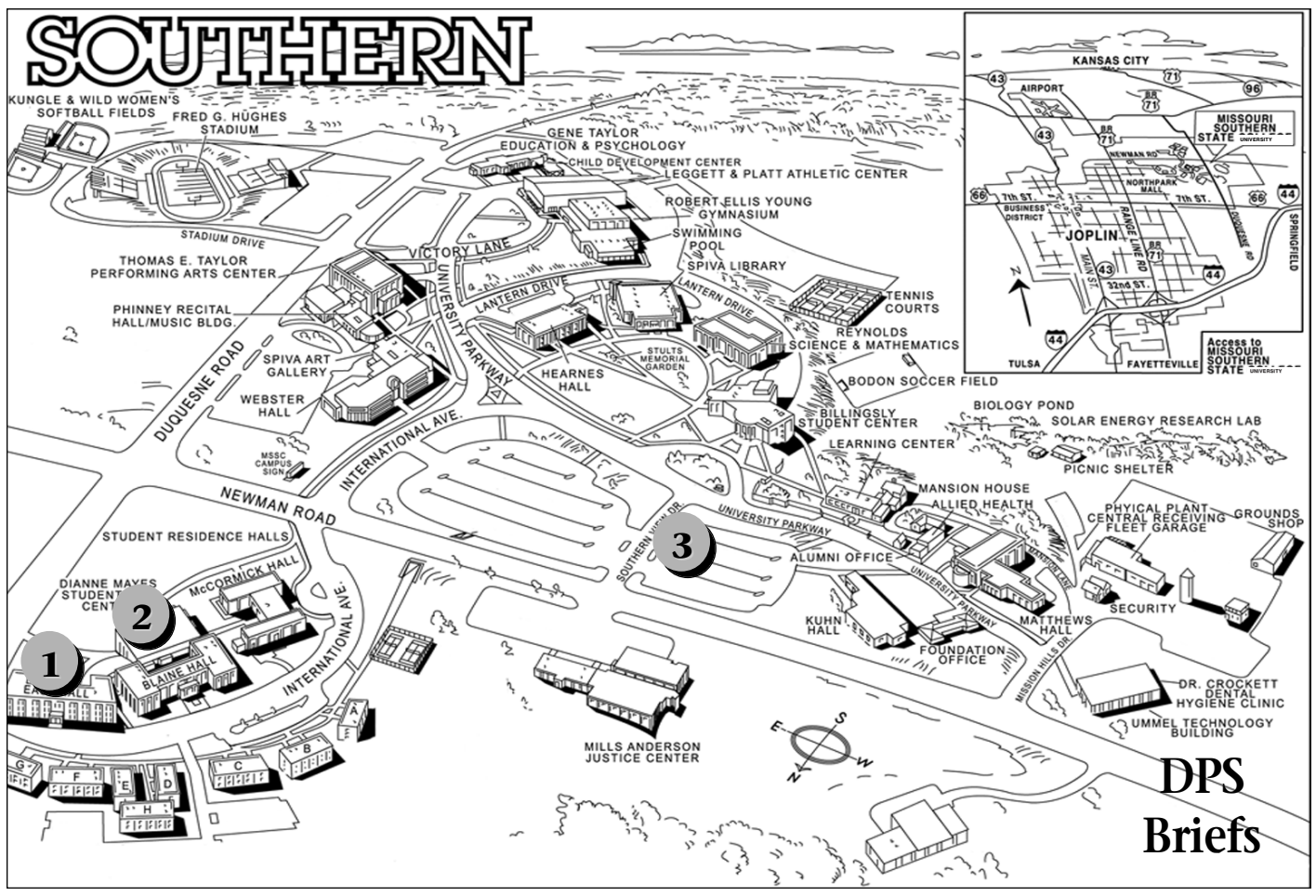


DPS Briefs

# Missing pole sends security searching

**1 Property Destruction**

9/7/2004

11:00 p.m.

Security patrol noticed a security pole was missing just outside of East Hall. The pole was one near a fire lane.

An officer then searched each side of campus for damaged vehicles, but was unsuccessful.

Further investigation indicates the pole was taken out by being pulled with a chain or cable.

**2 Disruptive Conduct**

9/8/2004

11:00 p.m.

Security was called to the Student Life Center in regards to a disruptive student.

The student came to the cafeteria gate and asked to be let in to find his backpack. The worker on duty allowed the student in, but the student turned and used several expletives.

The worker advised security the student had found the backpack as the student was wearing one as he left the building.

**3 Damaged Vehicle**

9/13/2004

1:50 p.m.

A student called security after she found her car dented in parking lot #38. An officer observed the dent was large enough to have been made by another vehicle's bumper.

Black marks were found on the car as well.

There are no suspects at this time.

*Compiled from Public Safety reports*

# Campus Calendar

## Hospice Walk scheduled with team and individual prizes

The Mercy Regional Health Foundation will sponsor the 22nd annual Walk for Hospice Sept. 25.

The walk will be in Cunningham Park. Registration for the walk will begin at 9 a.m. with the opening ceremonies at 9:45 a.m.

The walk will officially start at 10 a.m. Walkers receive a free picnic lunch and prizes.

The first 200 registered to raise $50 or more are eligible for free t-shirts.

Individual and team prizes will be awarded as well.

For more information, call Mercy Regional Health Foundation at 625-2266.

## Peace Corp invites students to information booth and talks

Peace Corp representatives are coming to campus from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Tuesday in Billingsly Student Center.

The representatives will have an information booth set up for students.

An information meeting will be at 4-6 p.m. Tuesday on the second floor of the BSC as well. Interviews will also be held Sept. 24 from 9-5 in Plaster Student Union Room 314 on the SMSU campus.

For more information contact the Peace Corp. at 800-424-8580 or visit www.peacecorps.gov.

## Penny votes determine which faculty members are pirates

Students, faculty, and alumni are encouraged to vote for their favorite pirate.

One instructor will be selected to dress like a pirate at the Homecoming game.

Votes will be in the form of pennies. One penny will count as one vote.

Ten faculty members have been selected to "walk the plank" at the game.

For collection jars and contest rules, visit the Campus Activities office in BSC.

Votes are due by Wednesday.

Proceeds go into the Alumni Association Scholarship.

## Alumni Association slates events for upcoming dinner reception

One supportive member of the community has been selected as the recipient of the Lion-Hearted Award. David Haffner, Chief Operating Officer of Leggett & Platt. Haffner attended Southern for two years. He is a Carthage native.

The award is given to someone who has been supportive of Southern programs and events.

Also, Herbert Schmidt, Jr., CFI president, was selected as the 2004 outstanding alumnus by the Missouri Southern Alumni Association.

Schmidt graduated from Southern in 1977, earning his bachelors' degree in political science.

The awards will be given out at 7 p.m. Sept. 24 during the All Alumni Reception at the Ramada Inn.

Admission to the dinner is $15 per person. Business attire is recommended and reservations are required.

For more information, contact the Alumni Association at 625-9355.

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# the Morning after Pill

# Contraceptive method denied to students

By Melissa Dunson
Diversions Editor

Contraceptive controversies abound in the discussion over whether or not to offer emergency contraceptive pills to students.

Pittsburg State University, 45 minutes from Missouri Southern's campus, has been offering students the morning-after pill for years. Prescriptions are available through the health center for $30 after a pregnancy test is confirmed negative. The student must return for an appointment one week after her period was to begin and undergo an additional pregnancy test.

Jan Dipley, Southern's health services director, thinks Southern should offer the pill, but the decision is not up to her. In Missouri, nurse practitioners must practice under the supervision of a physician in that specialty. The doctor supervising Southern's health center made the decision that Dipley and the rest of the health center staff are not allowed to prescribe the morning-after pill because it would increase Southern's liability.

Dipley doesn't think that makes sense because the majority of students are over 18 years old. Instead, when students come to the health center requesting ECPs, the staff refers them to Joplin's Family Planning Clinic.

"I fully believe that it's a woman's right and her choice to be protected if she chooses to not abstain," Dipley said. "But we decided it was just as easy to send them [students] to Family Planning."

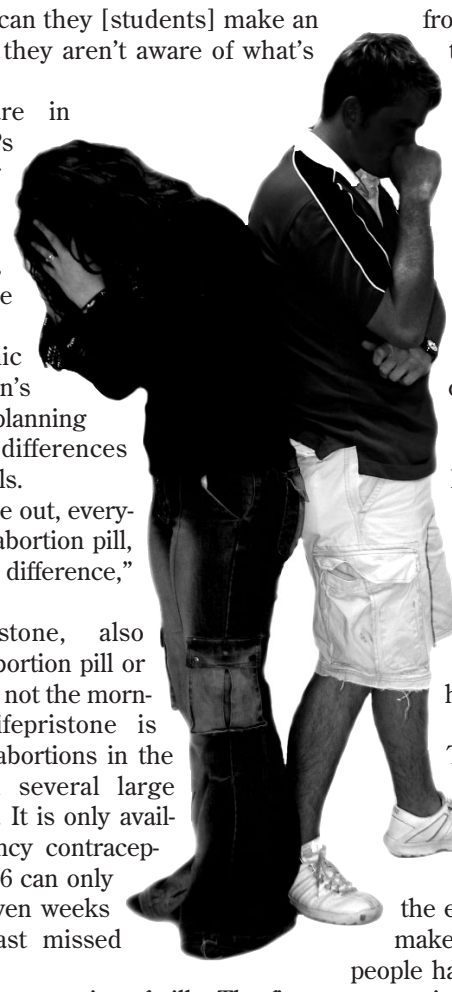
*"I fully believe that it's a woman's right and her choice to be protected if she chooses not to abstain."*

**Jan Dipley**
*Health Services Director*

Dipley said some students from overseas were surprised the United States does not sell ECPs over the counter like their home countries. The Food and Drug Administration decided earlier this year to deny a laboratory's application to sell ECPs over the counter in an apparent contradiction to the recommendations of two FDA advisory panels that voted 23-4 in December 2003 to sell Plan B, a progestin only ECP, without a prescription.

Dipley believes ECPs should be sold without a prescription and one reason it is not being offered to Southern's students is the conservative nature of the region.

"This is the Bible Belt, but sex should be more out in the open," she said. "It should be a personal choice. How can they [students] make an informed choice if they aren't aware of what's going on?"



Many people are in opposition to ECPs after confusing them with other controversial birth control methods, like RU-486 — the abortion pill.

Sally Pace, clinic manager of women's health and family planning emphasizes the differences between the two pills.

"When it first came out, everyone said it was an abortion pill, but there's a big difference," Pace said.

RU-486, mifepristone, also referred to as the abortion pill or chemical abortion is not the morning after pill. Mifepristone is approved for early abortions in the United States and several large European countries. It is only available as an emergency contraceptive in China. RU-486 can only be taken four to seven weeks after a woman's last missed period.

The process involves a series of pills. The first, Mifepristone, depletes the lining of the uterus preventing the pregnancy hormone progesterone from working and causes the blood supply to the embryo to shut off and the fetus to die. Two days later, a second pill, prostaglandin, is taken to induce labor and expel the fetus. Side effects of RU-486 include nausea, cramps and bleeding.

On the other hand, there are two forms of ECPs. One uses hormones similar to ordinary birth control pills, estrogen and progestin, but in higher doses. The Emergency Contraception Website, operated by the Office of Population Research at Princeton University and the Association of Reproductive Health Professionals, said these types of pills cause nausea in 50 percent of women and vomiting in 20 percent. The other type of ECP, contains only progestin and is more effective and less likely to cause nausea or vomiting. The pills must be started within the first 120 hours after unprotected sex.

ECPs work in three different ways. They inhibit or delay ovulation in 75 percent of the women who take them. The pills also form a thick mucus blockade around the cervix, preventing the sperm from fertilizing the egg, and alter the lining of the uterus to make it harder for the egg to implant. Most people have a problem with the third method of preventing pregnancy.

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Bill Shepherd/ The Chart

**About 25 student senators showed up for Senate's annual picnic held at the pavilion by the Biology Pond on Sept. 15**

# Senate starts fall semester with picnic

By Nate Billings
Executive Editor

Knives, forks, and plates were the tools of choice at the first meeting of Student Senate Sept. 15.

Senators joined together at the pavilion by the Biology Pond for a picnic. The picnic featured a steak dinner and a greeting from the new officers.

Eric Ducommun, junior Spanish major, is the new president of Senate this year. Rahila Kahn, senior physics major, is the vice president.

Kelli Friga, senior marketing and managing major is treasurer and Amber Hemphill, senior secondary education major is secretary.

"I'd like to see progress on the recreation building and the electronic sign," Friga said. "I hope we have a good year with a good turn out."

The meeting officially began with Doug Carnahan, dean of students and Senate advisor, addressing new senators. He thanked everyone for submitting petitions and taking the time and effort for working with Senate.

"They (the senators) seem to be anxious to go to work," he said.

Carnahan said he would like to see the Senate take up the unfinished business from last semester. He also estimated the Senate budget to be around $15,000.

Adam Griffin, senate advisor, said the Senate has a few new items for the students. First, a suggestion and comment box has been placed in the Billingsly Student Center for students to make suggestions to the Senate. There will also be a billboard above the box for Senate postings and other business items. Senators will also start holding office hours in the Senate office, located next to the east stairs on the third floor in the BSC

"Several senators would like to try getting the campus more involved in recycling," Griffin said.

Several senators are new to the organization this semester. They also have several different reasons for joining.

Brandon Busick, senior management and technology major, said, "I really feel I have some good ideas to improve the campus and the morale of the students."

"(I'd like to work on) anything that improves student life and spirit," Ducommun said. "I want people to be even more proud of Southern."

He said several senators have expressed ideas for the coming semester.

"With that many senators giving feedback we will be able to implement changes," he said.

Incoming freshmen are also well represented on the Senate.

Valerie German, freshmen theatre and mass communications major, said "I wanted to get involved with student organizations in anyway possible and this seemed like a good opportunity."

There are several seats open for anyone who wishes to join. Seats will be filled at the first business meeting on Wednesday, but will only be filled by class. That is, students can only fill a seat in their class. If seats cannot be filled by class, the seats will be filled by availability. Meetings are open to all.

# Simulator gives feel of drunken driving

By Nate Billings
Executive Editor

Drunk drivers came to Missouri Southern Sept. 15.

The Campus Activities Board invited the Save-A-Life drunk driving simulator to Billingsly Student Center for students to see the effects of drinking and driving.

Brian Beldyga, senior Save-A-Life manager, said, "We need to get to as many kids as possible to show them how their reflexes are delayed while drinking and driving."

The simulator slows down the reactions users make while driving on a computer-simulated course.

"It is not a game," Beldyga said. "We are here to educate."

Beldyga said he would take someone off the simulator if he thought that person was turning it into a game.

The simulator was set up for any type of person.

"It doesn't matter how much you weigh," Beldyga said. "You're going to get hammered."

He said the simulator is a good way to view the effects of drinking while sober.

Approximately 350 students turned out for the simulator and other activities for the day.

James Patterson, freshman elementary education major, said, "It (the simulator) does play with your eyes and it shows you what it's like when you're drunk."

Patterson also encouraged other students to make sure they know where their friends are if they plan to drink. He also said he likes to see someone take the responsibility to take the keys from someone who is drinking or at least offer a ride to a friend.

Brandi Boulware/The Chart

**Stephanie Hanzell, freshman health promotion and wellness major, receives a massage from Audri Manary on Sept. 15 during Natural High week.**

Other students agree after trying the simulator.

"It (the simulator) gives you a good sense of how it is to drive drunk," said Katherine Overman, senior psychology major.

Overman skidded off the road and hit a building in the simulation.

"I felt really dizzy," she said.

Julie Blackford, director of student activities, said the simulator cost $5,000 to bring to campus.

"You can't put a price on teaching people not to drink and drive," she said.

Blackford said the simulator is not brought to campus every year because of the price, but she has not seen it during the time she has worked on campus.

Beldyga said the simulator cost

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SEX
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Hi, I Heard YOU Had the Morning After Pill?
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# Pill encourages promiscuity

## Chart Opinion

Though Missouri Southern does not offer the morning after pill, it is not a completely bad thing.

The pill is another excuse to have unprotected sex. The pill will not solve the problems associated with unsafe sex.

Pregnancy is not punishment for having sex; sex causes pregnancy. People know that going in.

Yes, it is a form of birth control, but there are more issues to look at when two people decide to join together as one in the bedroom.

Deciding to have sex is a big step in a relationship and should only occur after marriage. However, it does not always happen that way.

Sexually transmitted diseases and other high-risk horrors are possible consequences for those who do not wish to wait for the appropriate time.

Whether a woman wants to have children is up to that woman.

The pill cannot stop someone from having sex before marriage, but a good conscience can. This is the way it should be. Why risk having a kid or even getting a disease?

Why use the pill when it is unnecessary until a person decides to get married and make the decision to have sex?

Birth control is a decision married couples should make together. It is not up to any institution to make that decision for them.

Missouri Southern can make the decision to offer the morning after pill, but people should offer up the common sense to use it responsibly.

Campus Voice **BY MONIQUE JAMERSON**

# Should MSSU offer the morning-after pill?

"I believe that the campus should offer the pill because if it is needed, Missouri Southern should offer it."

**Rachel Hickman**
Freshman
Speech and Theatre Education Major

"I think it should not be offered., because people should make choices before they decide to have sex."

**Rita Forbes**
Freshman
Undecided
Major

"I don't see any reason why Missouri Southern shouldn't offer the pill. I think if a girl has a one-night stand it should be available for her."

**Truman Yeary**
Freshman
Respiratory Therapy
Major

"Definitely, it should be offered. It is the new millennium, people do have sex. If there is another alternative to aborting a child, Missouri Southern should provide it."

**Donald Stalling**
Sophomore
History
Major

"I don't think it should be offered, because people may use it as a form of birth control."

**Vashti Baker**
Freshman
Biology
Major

Editor's Column

# Effects of 9-11 tragedy strike home harder than expected

**David Haut**
Managing Editor

"God Bless America." "We will never forget." These are the signs that litter cities and towns across our nation in remembrance of the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks. Do we really remember? Are we really the patriots KFC and Bank of America say we are?

To be honest, the signs never affected me. I was devastated when I heard about the twin towers and have always been proud of my American citizenship, but seeing signs and memorials just didn't hit me the way they do now.

I was changed on a trip to New York City last week.

*The Chart* was receiving a national award, which happened to be in New York City on the three-year anniversary of the attacks. We took some time to cover the memorial at ground zero.

We arrived to find fewer people than we had expected. It was puzzling at first. There were people lining the fences, some crying, some hanging flowers, others just standing in silence. Few were there to protest President Bush or say they were jailed for their pre-emptive knowledge of 9-11. I was there as a journalist.

The ceremonies began with "The Star-Spangled Banner." A large flag was draped over an adjacent building. The crowd stood still, silent. All eyes were on the flag. I had to put my hands in my pockets to keep them from shaking.

I tried to pull myself together — to hold back what emotions I had and tried to focus on my task at hand. I took pictures while listening to names being read. Some families read poems. Some were so choked up they could hardly pronounce a name. All were touched.

I watched as families descended down a ramp onto the remnants of the World Trade Center. Some wore personalized shirts; some held signs. Everyone cried.

Through the viewfinder on my camera, I saw one young girl holding a sign saying, "My daddy is not garbage." I couldn't take the picture — my hands were shaking. This was a lot harder than I thought.

We passed firemen, grown men much larger than I, all crying, bawling, some falling to their knees.

"I miss my husband," a woman said full of tears.

I can't image that kind of pain. I hope I never have to.

After making a lap around, it was time to get interviews. We could hardly stay around much longer. I really wanted to cry.

I approached a woman who had just put flowers on the fence. She wasn't crying, which was my indication she may be willing to talk. She respectfully declined.

I've never felt worse to be a journalist.

I found a group of men talking. Some of them were volunteer firemen, others were Air Force reserves. I talked to some of them. Two left when I identified myself. The other two were former employees of companies inside the twin towers. One broke down and cried in the middle of the interview.

I thanked him. I was done. I felt horrible.

We left the site as changed people. I couldn't help but try and empathize. What would my life be like if I'd lost someone in those attacks.

I would never be able to forget — never.

Walking back to the subway, I glanced over my shoulder one last time.

"I will never forget," I told myself. "God Bless America."

Letter

## Letter misses point about religious beliefs

Although the view expressed by Matthew Harris in his letter (Sept. 3) is understandable in light of current events, he is mistaken on several points.

First, Harris wrongly suggests "religion was designed to conform society into right." Religion was not invented to achieve any particular end. Rather, the very nature of religion is that believers begin with what they honestly believe about God, generally on the basis of some kind of evidence (such as the physical resurrection of someone who was crucified because he claimed to be the unique son of God), and then behave according to those beliefs.

Second, Harris suggests a good God would not want to deny a heavenly inheritance to anyone. But the problem is everyone has rebelled against God. 1 Timothy 2:4 reads God desires all men to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth. The question is not about whether God wants all people to inherit the kingdom but whether people are willing to accept the terms of that inheritance. We believe that these terms are simply that we acknowledge we fall short of God's holiness, that He alone has the ability to restore our broken our broken relationship, and that He has done so by sending Jesus to die in our place.

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In Perspective

# Beliefs influence students' performance

**Dr. James Brown**
Professor of English and Philosophy

There is a growing body of evidence that students' learning performance is influenced by their beliefs about the nature of the learning process. Research has shown that students' beliefs about learning can predict students' grade point average, their attitude about school and their persistence in the face of difficult tasks. Educational psychologist Marlene Schommer has researched the impact of two beliefs about learning: Quick Learning and Fixed Ability.

**Quick Learning**: Schommer found some students hold the belief that individuals will either learn something quickly or they will not learn it at all. They believe the learning process can only occur quickly and the use of extra effort, time and different strategies and resources will not pay off. For example, some students who do poorly in math believe mathematical problems should be solved in 10 minutes, or they will never be solved, and "only math geniuses are capable of discovering mathematics."

When writing a paper, students who believe in Quick Learning are more likely to use a perfect first draft writing process, believing good writers write only one version of a paper and believing they also should be able to write a perfect first draft. When their first draft efforts turn out to be much less than perfect, these students experience writing blocks, become frustrated and discouraged and try to avoid writing.

On the other hand, many students believe learning is not an all-or-nothing procedure — that learning is often a gradual, uneven, difficult and time-consuming process.

These students have learned the value of working harder and longer on difficult tasks such as math problems, and of using alternative resources such as tutoring. When writing, these students are more likely to use a writing process that employs multiple drafts interspersed with reader feedback and other strategies for improving content and form.

**Fixed Ability**: Schommer also found many college students believe their current level of learning ability is the extent of their capacity. They believe efforts to improve their learning strategies and skills will have no value. These students are more likely to give up on difficult tasks, to not ask for extra help, to have lower GPAs and to dislike school

On the other hand, many other students

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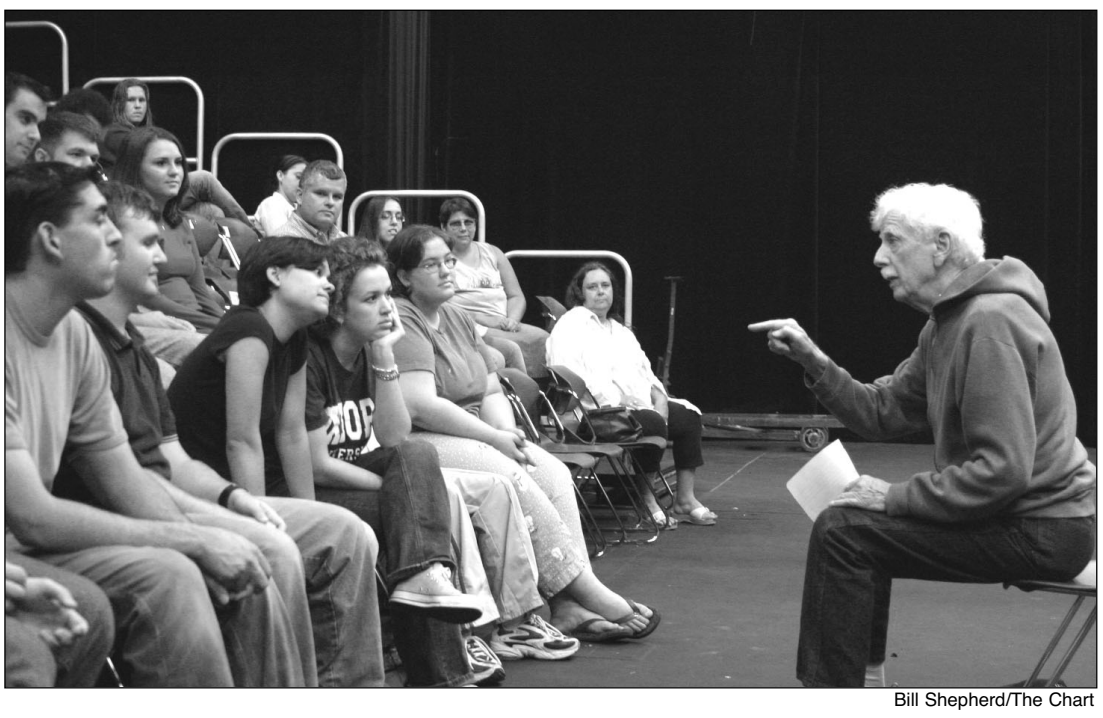

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**New York acting teacher Stanley Harrison teaches an acting workshop on the psychological gestures from the archetype of the Russian actor Michael Chekhov Sept. 14 at Bud Walton Theatre. Harrison also lead a seminar Sept. 15 in Webster Hall auditorium on the Russian actor Konstantin Stanislavsky who taught the importance of acting from the inner self.**

# *Circus* portrays Soviet pride

## Socialist views shine in musical comedy

By Chris Heinrich
International Editor

Love for the Soviet way of life is expressed throughout the Russian Film Festival's Sept. 14 showing of Grigori Alexandrov's Circus, an ideological Soviet comedy filmed in 1936.

The film begins with Marion "Mary" Dickson being chased by angry Americans due to a scandal she's involved in while holding a covered child in her arms. In search of acceptance, she goes to the Soviet Union.

In the following scene, Dickson is in the middle of a circus ring and on top of a cannon singing and dancing. She gets inside of it and is shot out. She catches onto a trapeze and circles the audience. While circling, she catches the eye of the director of the circus, Martinov, who she eventually falls in love with.

The circus owner's daughter, Rajka, and her fiance, Ladechkin, have planned a new act for the circus, Flight into Space. Ladechkin is to build an even larger cannon for Rajka and Ladechkin to fly out of together.

Living a comfortable life thanks to her boss, Pietrovich, Dickson is continuously threatened by him that he will reveal her secret — she gave birth to a black baby.

When letters Dickson wrote are mixed up, Martinov finds out about her baby.

In the last act of the night, Dickson dances and sings while surrounded by more than 100 other women. Interrupted by their out-of-water type ballet, Pietrovich stops the act and reveals Marion's secret. Holding her child in his arms, Pietrovich is confronted by the circus owner. He tells him it's not a big deal. The audience members take Marion's child and pass it amongst themselves while laughing at Pietrovich. He is then escorted out by guards.

Different people sing Soviet songs from their respective republic while holding the child while Marion lies, crying on top of a hay pile in a back room.

Martinov finds her and everyone who works in the circus stops what they are doing to listen to the audience. The owner brings the baby to Marion who's now in Martinov's arms and says, that in this country, all children are loved no matter what.

The scene fades and Marion, Martinov and other circus members are marching in Red Square in Moscow. Flags with images of Vladimir Lenin and Joseph Stalin are waved in a parade made up of thousands of Russians.

Marion's last words are, "I don't know of a place where one can breathe so freely."

# *Prisoner* depicts rural life in Chechen village

## Film reveals Russian, separatist differences

By Chris Heinrich
International Editor

Directed by Sergei Bodrov, Prisoner of the Mountains starts with group of men, camera focused on the main character, Vanya Gilin (Sergei Bodrov Jr.), getting health inspections in order to join the Russian army.

Based on Leo Tolstoy's book The Prisoner of the Caucasus, the 1996 film takes place in a Chechen village surrounded by the Caucasus mountains. An older soldier, Sasha Kostylin (Oleg Menshikov) and Gilin are taken hostage by a Chechen man Abdul-Murat (Dzhemal Sikharulidze) in an ambush early in the film. The angered Murat is looking for a way to get back his son who was taken prisoner by the Russians.

While shackled throughout most of their time in Murat's village, Murat's brother-in-law Hasan (Aleksandr Bureyev) also guards Kostylin and Gilin. Forming a mostly unspoken bond with her, at the end he falls in love, asking her to marry him. Being much younger, she says she cannot since his people are the enemies.

A background song sung by the children of the mountains explains the differences outsiders face with mountain village life. This alone gives the viewer insight on how Chechen and Russian life can be different.

Bordov used cinematography to portray what life might be like for Russian villagers. Several long shots and establishing shots were taken to show the viewer the landscape of winding mountain roads and villages. Dress played a role as well, such as Murat wearing a long, black coat with boots and a tall, fur-covered hat. He also had a thick, gray mustache.

Gilin forms a bond, not only with the daughter, but also with the people of the village. He tells Kostylin that he does not want to kill them after they are freed by other Russian soldiers. Kostylin tells him that he has to because they are in a war.

Even though the village children sing of how life is so different and strangers to their land tend not to like it, through Gilin's eyes, these people are not so unlike him and his familiarities. Their basic values are similar. Family, religion and love of life play a deeper role.

After every attempt made by Murat to get his son back, he finds out he was killed while trying to escape.

While Murat is out of town, Kostylin and Gilin are caught while trying to escape. Kostylin and Gilin are caught by the villagers. The villagers disliked Kostylin being in the village, so they murdered him. Gilin is taken back to Murat.

Given the key to his shackles by Murat's daughter, Gilin climbs out of the hole he was put into but does not flee. Instead, he stays with the daughter.

Murat comes with a rifle to execute him. Peacefully walking in front of Murat, Gilin is led through a graveyard then up a hill to be shot. A shot is heard, but it does not hit him. Gilin turns around, and Murat has walked off.

While walking away from the village, Gilin sees Russian helicopters coming toward him. After an attempt to wave them down, they continue to fly toward the village he grew to love and know so well.

Part of the Russian Film Festival, Prisoner was shown on Sept. 7 in Cornell Auditorium.

## RUSSIA SEMESTER EVENTS

**Friday**

- "Body and Soul: Peter the Great and Catherine the Great," 9 a.m., Webster Hall auditorium
- "A Russian Celebrity: Aleksandr Pushkin," 11 a.m., Webster Hall auditorium

**Tuesday**

- Russian Film: *Commissar*, 7 p.m., Cornell Auditorium

**Thursday**

- The Gockel International Symposium: "Russian Reality, American Perceptions: A Culture of Misunderstanding," 9:30 a.m., Taylor Performing Arts Center
- The Gockel International Symposium: "Putin's Russia: Democracy Postponed or Democracy Defeated?," 7 p.m., Webster Auditorium
- The Gockel International Symposium: "Democracy or Autocracy: Where is Putin Taking Russia, and Why Should We Care?," 7 p.m., Webster Auditorium

**Sept. 28**

- Russian Film Festival: *Moscow Does Not Believe in Tears*, 7 p.m., Cornell Auditorium

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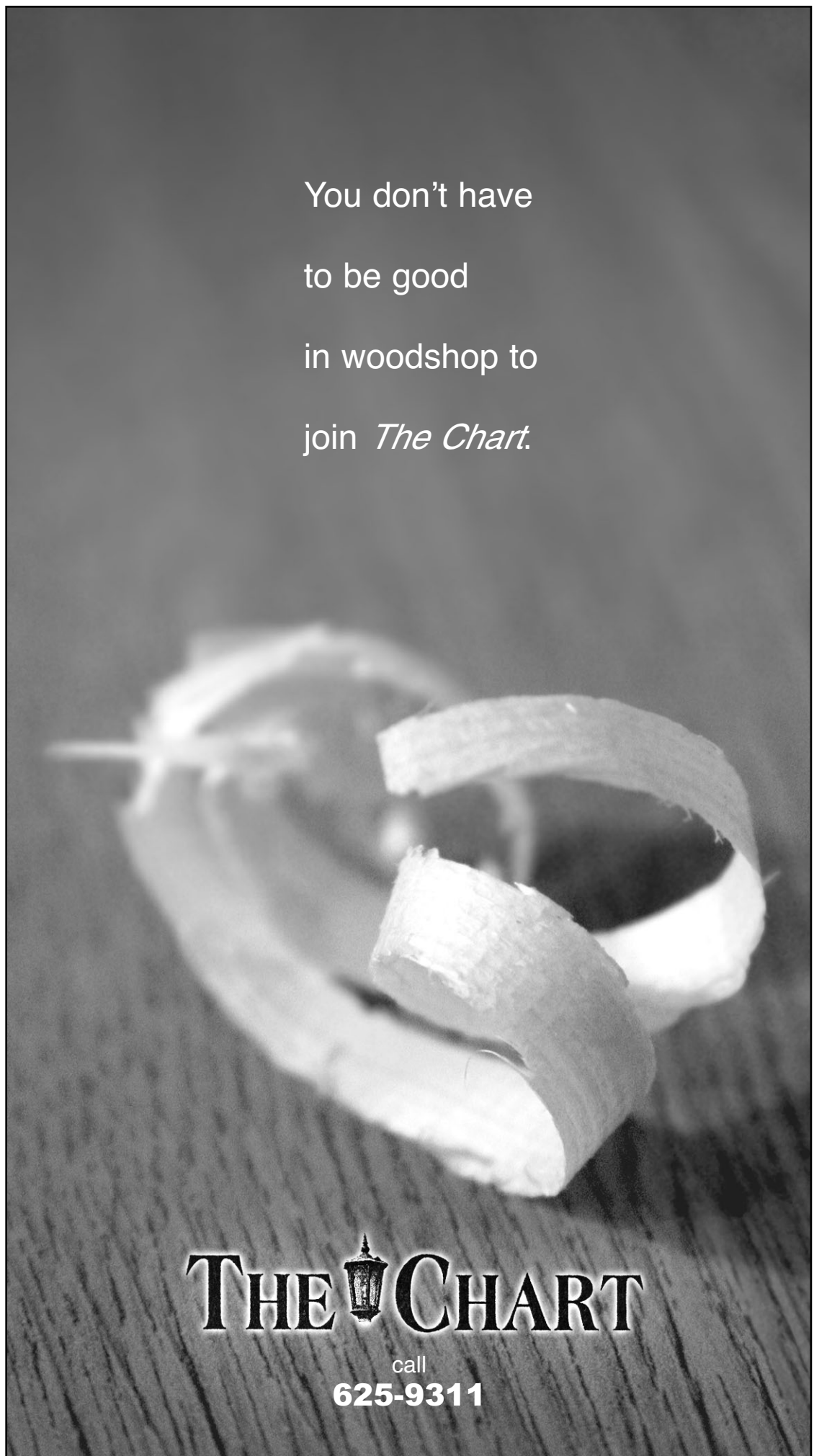

# Diversions

# misfit revolution

## Venue protects punk purity

By Melissa Dunson
Diversions Editor

Dark guardian angel of the local music scene, the Underground Revolutionary Theatre is sworn to protect the purity of underground culture.

"We're just kids trying to support what we think real music should be," said Jeremy Smart, 20, Webb City.

More than the only remaining all ages rock music venue in Joplin, the URT is providing a family for outcast kids, expanding minds and in the process, raising the cultural IQ of the area.

"We wanted to try and bring culture to the town," said Jonathan Cowan, 20, Austin, Texas. "I mean, there's nothing to do here except bowl."

The idea for the venue originated in Smart, and friends Justin Wesson and Josh Mullen, both 19, of Webb City. The three shared a love of theater and music. Finding nowhere to satisfy their aesthetic cravings, they created their own cultural community. In the 1990's, music magazines named Joplin the eighth best place to play underground music. Smart and his comrades wanted to return the title to Joplin.

The new venue features hardcore, punk, goth and disco music along with poetry readings and open-mic nights.

"In the beginning, we didn't want this to be about one style," Smart said. "We wanted something for every style of music and person. At open mic nights all ages showed up. We had 40 and 50-year-olds getting on stage."

This labor of love comes with a price. Rent, utilities, sound and light equipment and band fees cost far more than the $3-5 per person a show the URT makes.

"Everyone who's involved in this is in debt from it," Smart said. "We lose money every month. If we get lucky, we break even."

The lack of emphasis on money fits alongside the rest of the URT clan's philosophy of family and freedom.

"We have to make enough money to pay the bands and eat, but we don't view people as their functions but as people," said Jordan Metcalf, 20, Webb City, another founder. "A lot of places look at people for what they can do for them, and we don't. We're as close as you can get to a French philosophy system."

Crowds of young people are drawn to this philosophy of the local movement, and the founders that seem to live it so well. The resulting environment is less like an entertainment venue and more like a family.

"It's turned more into a home and a family," Cowan said. "First time I came here, someone asked what I could do. I said, anything you want me to do."

This is especially helpful for those feeling misunderstood or outcast.

"A lot of the people who come in here are the black sheep of society," Smart said. "But those are the same people who come when everything is falling apart and they're the ones sweeping our floors."

Jennifer O'Donnell, 18, Oregon, looks at the URT as her sanctuary and a way to get people involved and keep kids off of the streets.

"Its an outlet for all of my frustrations," she said.

Not everyone sees the URT's mission as glorious. Zombie Fest, a music festival normally held during the summer at The Cesspool, sparked a local controversy that eventually resulted in The Cesspool closing.

Zombie Fest was rescheduled at The URT. Some parents and church members were unhappy with the scheduled bands' messages, including a band named Satan is God. News coverage including several appearances on the front page of *The Joplin Globe* only increased the event hype. In the end, fewer than 100 people showed up for the festival.

"We beat out Bush and the West Nile Virus, and it was nothing," Cowan said.

The founders of The URT find the demonizing hard to understand and several consider themselves devout Christians.

"We don't really mind, because everyone's entitled to their opinion, and that's what we stand for," Smart said, "But we ask everyone to give us a chance."

Some do give them a chance. In the past, youth groups have come to concerts and befriended the venue's regulars. For one show, the URT did not have any monitors. Cowan called a church pastor he knew, asked for help and was allowed to borrow the church's sound equipment.

"We have some who hold giant crosses in front of the building and tell us we're evil," Cowan said. "And then we have church pastors who come in and read poetry and talk with us. There's always going to be people who won't understand, but when they do, they try to help us out however they can."

To help perpetuate their dream, the founders are moving the venue from 16th and Main to 12th and Wall in October. The new building will be twice as large as the current location, air conditioned, more accommodating parking and away from residential property. The new location will officially open Oct. 1, but Smart hopes to schedule concerts before that date. The new building will offer a wider variety of events including dueling shows, acoustic music, jazz, comedy and poetry readings.

Smart recently moved to Springfield and hopes to open another URT sometime next summer.

Melissa Dunson/The Chart

**Above and right, the URT provides a home and family for the outcast youth of society.**

**Above, Elaine Roy, 21, Joplin, and her rabbit, Nightmare the Poopship Destroyer, attend concerts at the URT. The venue attracts a diverse crowd ranging from punks and goths to hippies. Left, Couches by the front door provide concert goers with a place to relax while waiting in line.**

Adam Fast/The Chart

Melissa Dunson/The Chart

**The guitarist for Kansas City rock band The Large plays to a  a crowd on Sept. 11 at the URT.**

*Johnny Rose, musician and local celebrity, has never had a job not involving playing or teaching music. For information, read the story.*



# Funny Thing About Life...

**David Haut**

Managing Editor

New York, New York. The city so nice, they named it twice.

As some are aware, editor-in-chief T.J Gerlach and I took a trip to the Big Apple to accept an award. Everyone has been asking about the trip, so I thought I'd highlight a few points I enjoyed the most.

**Thursday**

•5:30 a.m.:We've been up all night, working on *The Chart*. I went home to pack, at which time, my mom reminded me to pack clean underpants.

•3:05 p.m.: We flag a taxi and go 100 miles per hour to our hotel.

•4:45 p.m.: T.J. and I decide to check out the sites. We go to Times Square, the closest thing to our hotel. Times Square is the place where thousands of drunk people gather every New Year's Eve to stand elbow to elbow for 14 hours and pee in the street.

•5:55 p.m.: We're still on Times Square standing in front of the Virgin Mega Store. We are trying to decide to: a) give a dollar to the homeless guy with the iPod and the Rolex, b) try and get on MTV or c) go inside and meet Paris Hilton.

•6:33 p.m.: We are standing in front of mega toy store FAO Schwartz. It's closed for Christmas renovation. Crap.

•6:51 p.m.: We stop at Trump Tower. It's Trumpalicious.

**Friday**

•10:35 a.m.: We get up a little late. For some reason, we think it would be a good idea to walk 65 blocks to the tip of the island.

•11:01 a.m.: We begin our walk. Everything is fine.

•11:08 a.m.: We're already getting tired.

•11:16 a.m.: This was a bad idea.

•11:19 a.m.: Starbucks. Alright.

•1:33 p.m.: We arrive at Battery Park. The place is booming with Trump-like entrepreneurs selling Gucci purses and Ray-Ban sunglasses that "fell off the truck." No wonder they break in a week.

•1:36 p.m.: A guy in Battery Park is selling batteries. Go figure.

•2:49 p.m.: We're on the platform waiting for the train in the subway. It's about 112 degrees, and it smells like a Port-A-Potty. We literally stink.

•3:26 p.m.: We walk into the Grand Hyatt, the hotel where our convention is to take place. I'm pretty sure the doorman, the bellman and the guy at registration all think we're homeless.

•5:52 p.m.: T.J. and I go down to Greenwich Village for dinner, where everyone thinks we're gay. We decide on a neutral buffer zone to relinquish any premonitions.

**Saturday**

•2:22 p.m. Saturday: We're on our way to Penn Station in a taxi. Our driver somehow can't see all of the other cars on the road or his speedometer (which has broken off). That's OK though, because he somehow can't hear the horns and expletives being hurled his way.

•9:55 p.m.: I meet little Dylan and his little brother, Tony, on the plane ride home. I asked Dylan where he was from. His response, "I poopie."

I must say I had a great time on this trip. I highly recommend that everyone see this great city at least once in his or her lifetime. And don't forget to pack clean underpants.

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**Johnny Rose, Joplin, plays one of his 35 guitars. He has been teaching music lessons in the area for over 30 years. Magic Kitchen, Moosehead, and Crank are only a few of the bands he has played with.**

# Everything's coming up Roses

**By James Marcum**

Staff Writer

Adam Fast/The Chart

**Rose celebrates his eccentricities instead of hiding his passions.**

On any given weekday afternoon a short, stocky man sits at Massey Music drinking Dr. Pepper from a Crown Royal cup.

He is easily spotted wearing a 30th anniversary Rush T-shirt and cut off jeans.

Local area music celebrity and self-proclaimed pack rat, Johnny Rose is anything but the average musician.

Rose has been teaching music, (mostly guitar), in the Joplin area for over 30 years. He came on the scene in 1962 when his family moved to Joplin from Chicago, where he was raised.

"I seem to be pretty well respected in this town, which is a blessing." Rose said, noting however that he is more recognized in Springfield.

Rose estimates that he has had more than 1,000 music students since he started teaching.

"I love it, it is God's gift to me, it keeps you on top of the game," he said.

Other than guitar, Rose plays the bass, drums, steel guitar, piano, banjo, and harmonica.

Rose has played with more than 100 bands including Livewire, Southern Fried, Road Hog, Moosehead, Night Train, Sidewinder, Crank (referring to the volume, not the drug), The Rose Brothers with his brother Steve, and Magic Kitchen, (the former band of Lynard Skynard's Steve Gaines).

"I'm a punk; a rebel. I've been around the block many times," Rose said.

He wasn't kidding. Rose has played with the who's who's of music in the area.

Rose's interests include pool and his Guitar Player magazine collection (he has all of them except the very first one).

Rose has an estimated 35 guitars, 12 or more amplifiers including four Peavey Stereo Chorus combo amps, 250 books about chess, and 30-40 chess boards.

He won the 1979 Missouri Southern chess tournament and plays chess almost every day.

He said that he like to replay classic games that are described in some of his books.

Rose is a collector, a collector of memories.

Rose has numerous sheets of cardboard, plastered with pictures, flyers, business cards, and wedding invitations.

He has an article, flyer or picture from almost every venue he has played, band he has played with, or friend he has had. These are his memories, the stories of his life.

Rose's life has been impacted by several friends.

He recently lost his good friend and band-mate, Don Shipps, the leader of Don Shipps and the Titanic Blues Band.

"He (Shipps) was one of the most talented bass players I've ever heard, and he was a great friend," Rose said.

Other influences came Bob and Rick Massey and the whole Massey clan.

"He has given his life to the guitar," Rick said. "His understanding of the instrument and music in general far surpasses anyone that I have met in the whole Four-state region."

Rick has had a personal relationship with virtually every musician that has ever played on the local scene.

Throughout his entire life, Rose has never had a job, other than playing with bands and teaching music.

What has kept him from ever really "making it big time?"

What has kept him going for all these years?

What are his plans concerning retirement?

"Ha! Are you kidding," Rose said. "It's too late for brain surgery ... I ain't dead yet; they wanna kill me off but I ain't dead yet. I'm not the pretty boy I used to be, I'm not a strong singer either, but we do what we have to; we play the cards we are dealt."

"I believe in the Higher Power and I have a love for life and for people. I firmly believe that my mission in life, why I'm here, is to be a teacher. To be a good teacher, you can't be afraid to give your ideas up. You can't be afraid that this person is going to take your ideas and pass you by to become some big rock star. You take what you know, and give it away."

Massey Music is located on 215 E 20th in Joplin and is open from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday through Saturday.

CAB

**Campus Activities Board**

# Board uncovers Homecoming's hidden treasure

**By David Haut**

Managing Editor

Members of the Campus Activities Board reconvened Sept. 15 to discuss homecoming and possible upcoming semester events.

With homecoming a week away, final plans were being made for the week of events.

CAB will be holding royalty elections in the Student Activities Office on the second floor of Billingsly Student Center. Elections will take place on Monday and Tuesday.

Wednesday, CAB will hand out 200 free t-shirts to students at the home volleyball game at 7 p.m. in the Young Gym. Following the

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# Area Events

**17** *Mr. 3000, Wimbledon* and *Sky Captain and the World of Tomorrow* open at the Northstar 14 Theaters.

The Sound and the Fury concert @ 9 p.m. @ The Green Room.

Audio Adrenaline concert @ 7 p.m. @ Mosque in Springfield.

Political Science Movie: *Seven Days* in May @ 7 p.m. @ Webster Hall Auditorium.

"Fishing America": the photos and stories of Larry Stark exhibit opens at Joplin Spiva Art Gallery.

**18** Glory Days "Live Music Cafe" @ 8 p.m @ Glory Days Music.

**19** Karaoke from 9 p.m.-1 a.m. @ Murphy's Irish Pub.

Cardio Chaos @ 2 p.m. @ Legget & Platt

**20** Homecoming Royalty voting @ 2nd floor BSC.

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Karaoke @ 10 p.m. @ The Green Room.

CAB meeting @ 2 p.m. @ 2nd floor BSC.

*Love Letters* opens @ 7:30 p.m. @ Bud Walton Theatre.

**22** Krazy Karaoke @ 9 p.m. @ Champ's Bar and Grill

Campus Crusade for Christ @ 7:30 p.m. @ the Student Life Center.

BSU Joy Explosion @ 7 p.m.

Skate night @ 9 p.m. @ Keely's Silver Wheels.

Love Letters play @ 7:30 p.m. @ The Bud Walton Theatre.

**23** Mock rock lip sync contest, noon @ Lion's Den.

Bari Koral Band @ 7:30 p.m. @ Crowder College in Neosho.

Garrison Keillor in concert @ 7:30 p.m. @ Juanita K. Hammons Hall in Springfield.

## Weird News:

**Pimp and ho costume controversy**

OKLAHOMA — Parents and business owners were shocked to discover an online store selling "pimp" and "ho" Halloween costumes in children's sizes. Brandonsale.com spokesman said said the costumes are among the biggest sellers and the company plans to branch out into infant sized "pimp" and "ho" costumes.

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**Fried pork ice cream draws fans**

VENEZUELA — The Ice cream parlor serves 812 different flavors including garlic, smoked trout, avocado, Coca-Cola, tuna and spaghetti.

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## HOMECOMING:

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game.

Afterward, students can show off their skating skills at "Get Your Skate On" night from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at Keely's Silver Wheels. Southern students have free admission.

"Last spring we had a really good turnout," Blackford said. "So we decided to do it again."

Thursday's activities kick off with a punt/pass/kick contest, sponsored by campus recreation, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. on the Oval.

At noon in the Lion's Den, campus organizations and individuals will entertain audience in a new mock rock lip sync contest.

For Thursday night, Southern IMPACT will sponsor a Bachelor and Bachelorette auction at 7 p.m. in the Criminal Justice Center. Admission is $2 and proceeds go to United Way and Southern IMPACT.

On Sept. 24, Southern students can enjoy a picnic from 10:45 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. on the Oval.

**Julie Blackford**
Director of Student Activities

Spicy chicken, burgers, beans, chips, cookies, and drinks are on the menu. During the picnic students can complete a pirate obstacle course and have a caricature of them drawn.

During the picnic there will be a pep rally at noon. John Ware, head football coach, will speak. The cheerleaders will get the crowd pumped up and the 2004 Homecoming royalty will be announced. Students will also find out who won the mock rock lip sync, display and departmental decorating contests.

Finally, at 11:30 a.m., Sept. 25, the Homecoming parade will start and cruise down University Avenue.

Local marching bands as well as floats made by student organizations in the parade.

Food will be served at the tailgate party at 12:30 p.m. under a tent in front of Hughes Stadium. CAB and Zimmer Radio Group will sponsor the tailgate.

The big game kicks off at 2 p.m. in Hughes Stadium where Southern will take on Missouri Western State College on the field.

Coronation will be at half time of the game.

"Homecoming features around athletic events, but is really about Southern students, and school spirit," said Darren Fullerton, director of campus recreation.

Disgusted by gray? Send *The Chart* a lead by email. Thanks. chart@mssu.edu

## PILL:

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The debate reaches full force when physicians and care-givers attempt to define the beginning of life. Sharon Keogh, nurse practitioner of women's health and family planning, said ECPs are for use "before pregnancy is determined" and ordinary birth control pills are "to prevent pregnancy to begin with."

The question becomes whether ECPs prevent conception or implantation. Does the morning-after pill impede sperm from reaching the egg or instead prevent a fertilized egg from implanting and growing into a baby?

Debra Miller, Lifechoices clinic nurse manager, said physicians can legally say ECPs prevent pregnancy and do not abort a fetus because the medical definition is implantation and not conception even though at fertilization the baby's features, including sex, hair and eye color, have already been determined.

"Things can either be alive or not," said Miller.

"I have no doubt that life begins at conception and not at implantation," said Rita Lawson, Lifechoices client services director.

The possibility of an "unfriendly uterus" preventing pregnancy has been suggested by the FDA since the beginning, but is considered unlikely by researchers and the idea of unintentional abortions appears to be extremely remote.

Pace said the clinic offers the pill to anyone who needs it and said despite the hype, ECPs are not that prevalent in the area.

"They made such a big deal about it and its not," Pace said. "Contraception is so available now that it's not a big deal."

Regardless of the moral issues raised by the controversy, all parties involved can agree on one thing. ECPs are for emergencies and not meant as a way of life.

"We're not looking at this as a form of birth control, it's literally an emergency contraceptive for rare occasions when the condom breaks or they forget to take their pills," Keogh said.

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**Monday, Sept. 20**
Green & Gold Day
Wear Your Southern colors to support your Lions!

Royalty Election
8:30 a.m. - 8:30 p.m., Student Activities Office

Penny-A-Vote Contest
Vote to see your favorite professor in a pirate costume at the picnic
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**Tuesday, Sept. 21**
Royalty Elections
8:30 a.m. - 8:30 p.m., Student Activities Office

Quarterback Challenge
11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m., The Oval
Sponsored by Campus Recreation

**Wednesday, Sept. 22**
Pirate Photos
10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

MSSU Volleyball @ home
7:00 p.m., Young Gym
Free T-Shirt for 200 MSSU students

"Get Your Skate On" Skate Night
9:00 p.m. - 1:00 a.m., Keely's Silver Wheels

**Thursday, Sept. 23**
Punt, Pass & Kick Contest
11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m., The Oval
Sponsored by Campus Recreation

**Thursday, Sept. 23 (cont'd)**
Mock Rock Lip Sync Contest
12:00 noon, Lion's Den

Southern IMPACT
Bachelor & Bachelorette Auction
7:00 p.m., Criminal Justice Auditorium
Admission is $2

**Friday, Sept. 24**
All Campus Picnic
10:45 a.m. - 1:30 p.m., The Oval
Free for MSSU students

All Alumni Reception and Awards Dinner
6:00 p.m., Joplin Ramada Inn
Sponsored by the School of Business and the Alumni Association

**Saturday, Sept. 25**
Hall of Fame Brunch
9:30 a.m., Connor Ballroom
$7.50 per person
Sponsored by the Alumni Association

MSSU Homecoming Parade
11:30 a.m., MSSU Campus

Homecoming Tailgate
12:30 p.m. - 2:00 p.m., South of the Stadium
Sponsored by CAB and Zimmer Radio Group

MSSU vs. Missouri Western
2:00 p.m., Hughes Stadium
Coronation Ceremony at half-time

Requests for accommodations related to a disability need to be made to Melanie Epperson at 625-9346, 48 hours prior to the event.
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# PARKING:

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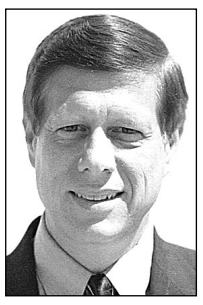
Newman Road, rarely has more than six cars in it. And last year, to help students cross safely, the University had crosswalks put in at the stoplights.



**Ken Kennedy**
Manager,
Department of
Public Safety

Bryndi Reynolds, sophomore nursing major, agrees that Southern doesn't have a problem.

"The only time [parking] is a problem is when school first starts," Reynolds said. "Otherwise, it is just a matter of getting over that horrible fear of having to walk further than convenience will allow."

Bob Harrington, director of the physical plant and risk manager, and Kennedy did mention a couple of suggestions for students. The first is for students to make sure their vehicles are registered.

If students would register their vehicles than it would be easier for the Department of Public Safety to know whether it is a visitor or student that was using student parking, which would open up the parking lots a little bit more.

The second solution is for students to allow themselves plenty of time to park.

This way the students will have time to walk if needed. However, Kennedy was not too worried about the problem with parking.

"It's a situation that always works itself out," he said.

Harrington stressed that if a student does have a problem with parking for them to come to the Department of Public Safety office. He said that they would do their best to help them.

# INFLUENCE:

*From Page 4*

believe they can develop and improve their ability to learn — they can learn how to learn better. These students are more likely to enroll in a study skills class, to ask for individual help, to be optimistic about school and to persist when learning tasks become difficult.

In one experimental study, students who strongly believed their current learning ability cannot be improved (high Fixed Ability belief) were compared with students who believed learning ability can be improved (low Fixed Ability belief). These high and low Fixed Ability students were given both easy and difficult tasks.

When faced with the easy task, both groups performed about the same. When faced with the difficult task, the high Fixed Ability group tended to utter negative comments, such as "This is too hard" and "I can't do this." They had few learning strategies to draw on, usually repeating one strategy several times and then giving up.

However, students who did not believe learning ability is fixed tended to utter positive comments such as "I have to try harder" and "I must try different things." They had more learning strategies to choose from, and they tried various strategies, persisted in their efforts and outperformed the other group of students.

In summary, research has shown that students' beliefs about the learning process influence their learning performance. Missouri Southern students would benefit from examining how their own beliefs about learning influence their actual learning performance.

# SIMULATOR:

*From Page 3*

$2.5 million to design and produce.

Other activities during the day were Kool-Aids for Kollege Students as well as drunk-driving glasses and stress-busting activities.

The stress busters included Legos and massages.

"The whole idea was trying to balance college life, time management, and relaxation," said Dale Voigt-Catlin, counselor with the Student Support Center.

Voigt-Catlin said students can come by the support center at any time during the semester if they missed out on the activities.

She said the day also included a stress test and alcohol-problem indicator for students to use.

Anyone wishing to know more about their stress levels, they may go online to www.mentalhealthscreening.com.

The password for Southern students is "helpinghand."

# POINT:

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Third, Harris blames religion for the "devastation of war for past and present," and concludes, "religion is the worst thing to happen to mankind." One needs only to remember the violence of events like the Communist revolutions of the last century to see the absence of genuine religion and religious ideals is what has allowed the worst tendencies of mankind to flourish. Harris seems averse to the presence of religious ideals in our society. Is he thinking about love? Joy? Peace? Patience? Kindness? Goodness? Gentle-ness? Faithfulness? Self-control? Man has done horrible things in the name of religion, but to say religion is "the worst thing to happen to mankind," is preposterous. The real problem is mankind is one of the worst things to happen to mankind. True religious ideals actually serve to keep the inherent violence of mankind in check.

**Phil Gloyer**
**Director**
**Baptist Student Union**

**Austin Mayfield**
**Freshman**
**Business Management Major**

# TREASURE:

*From Page 7*

at 7 p.m. in the Young Gym. Following the game will be a skate night at Keely's Silver Wheels. Parents are asked to leave children at home.

"We're going to have some events where we can have kids there," said Julie Blackford, director of student activities. "[Students] don't go to these events to be around children. We'll designate which events are kid friendly."

Other events include a lip sync contest and a bachelor/bachelorette auction.

"We have 30 people total," said Terry Levy, senior criminal justice/pre-law major. "There are about 14 guys and 17 girls."

The auction will take place in the Criminal Justice Auditorium.

Rounding out the week will be the all-campus picnic and the homecoming parade. CAB will begin to give away free t-shirts at noon on Friday. The parade begins at 11:30 a.m. on campus.

The CAB/Zimmer Radio Group giveaway is up to $300. If no one claims it this weekend, the pot will be $400 for homecoming.

Other events discussed at the meeting were a *Saved by the Bell* night by transforming University Java into The Maxx and viewing old episodes of the show.

Other ideas were a comedy series in which a different comic will come to campus every month, a decade night and karaoke.

CAB is also sponsoring a political debate between the College Republicans and the College Democrats. The debate is scheduled for Oct. 20.

Blackford said she enjoyed the meeting and would like to see more input from students who pay an activity fee.

Everyone with ideas or interest in CAB is invited to the weekly meetings at 2 p.m. each Wednesday in the Student Activities Office.

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## LION STATS

### Football

**Sept. 11 Results**

| | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| MSSU | 14 | 17 | 14 | 6 | — 51 |
| UMR | 0 | 14 | 7 | 0 | — 21 |

**First Quarter**

MSSU — Williams 1 yd run (Hawkins kick) 7:33. MSSU — Winfrey 6 yd pass from Emert (Hawkins kick) 4:45.

**Second Quarter**

MSSU — Winfrey 11 yd pass from emert (Hawkins kick) 10:20. UMR — Ingram 6 yd run (Armbruster kick) 9:00. UMR — Shin 7 yd pass from Landry (Armbruster kick) 3:49. MSSU — Mathes 68 yd pass from Emert (Hawkins kick) 2:58. MSSU — Hawkins 27 yd field goal 00:00.

**Third Quarter**

MSSU — Winfrey 8 yd pass from Emert (Hawkins kick) 9:19. MSSU — Williams 20 yd run (Hawkins kick) 6:21. UMR — Shin 7 yd pass from Landry (Armbruster kick) 00:55.

**Fourth Quarter**

MSSU — Emert 7 yd run (Hawkins kick failed) 11:55.

### Volleyball

**Sept. 10 Results**

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| WTAMU | 28 | 20 | 26 |
| MSSU | 30 | 30 | 30 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| MSSU | 14 | 25 | 17 |
| UCO | 30 | 30 | 30 |

**Sept. 11 Results**

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| MSSU | 26 | 26 | 26 |
| CU | 30 | 30 | 30 |

**Sept. 14 Results**

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| MSSU | 24 | 30 | 30 | 30 |
| SBU | 30 | 27 | 18 | 18 |

### Women's Soccer

**Sept. 10 Results**

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| MSSU | 0 | 0 | 1 | — 1 |
| WU | 0 | 0 | 0 | — 0 |

MSSU Scoring: Reisner (unassisted) 99:13.

WU Scoring: none.

**Sept. 12 Results**

| | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| MSSU | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | — 0 |
| ESU | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | — 1 |

MSSU Scoring: none.

ESU Scoring: Booth (Welch) 101:07.

### Men's Soccer

**Sept. 10 Results**

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| MSSU | 0 | 0 | — 0 |
| MSU | 1 | 2 | — 3 |

MSSU Scoring: none.

MSU Scoring: Chisolm (unassisted) 35:04. Myron (Gallagher) 47:43. Myron (Ramirez) 76:43.

**Sept. 12 Results**

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| MSSU | 0 | 0 | — 0 |
| SEU | 3 | 0 | — 3 |

MSSU Scoring: none.

SEU Scoring: Barletta (Garcia) 11:00. Descant (Steele) 41:07. Steele (unassisted) 44:58).

### Southern Schedule

**Sept. 17**

Men's Soccer @ 7 p.m. vs. Incarnate Word (Texas).

Women's Soccer @ 4 p.m. vs. South Dakota in Omaha, Neb.

**Sept. 18**

Cross Country @ Southern Stampede.

Football @ 6 p.m. vs. Missouri Western.

Men's Soccer @ 3 p.m. vs. St. Mary's (Texas).

Volleyball @ 11 a.m. vs. Henderson State.

**Sept. 19**

Women's Soccer @ 1 p.m. @ Nebraska-Omaha.

**Sept. 17-19**

Tennis @ Heart of America Tournament @ Edmond, Okla.

**Sept. 20-21**

Golf @ Southwest Baptist.

**Sept. 22**

Men's Soccer @ 7 p.m. @ Missouri-Rolla.

Volleyball @ 7 p.m. vs. Washburn.

Women's Soccer @ 5 p.m. @ Missouri-Rolla

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# Runners ready for Stampede

By T.J. Gerlach
Editor-in-Chief

After placing second against the University of Arkansas, the Missouri Southern men's cross country team won the Pittsburg State University Invitational Sept. 10.

"We almost perfect scored," said Tom Rutledge, men's head coach. "We had a very good meet."

The Lions had 18 points, missing the perfect score of 15 by three.

"Naturally, our upperclassmen ran well," Rutledge said.

He said the freshmen still need to train more.

Rutledge said seniors Paul Koehler and Craig Rhoads should lead the team this year. He is looking forward to Southern Stampede on Saturday, as well as the rest of the season.

> *"The goal for this year is to try to equal last year's success."*
>
> **Patty Vavra**
> *Women's Cross Country*
> *Head Coach*

"It's going to be tough because I had some great kids graduate," he said.

Rutledge said Central Missouri State University is the team to beat this year.

"If the freshmen do their job, then we can continue our success," he said.

The women's cross country team also ran at UA, placing second. The Lions also competed in the PSU Invitational Sept. 10.

Patty Vavra, women's head coach, said the meet was a small one, with only Southern, PSU and a few community colleges competing. The Lions placed second behind the Gorillas.

"I felt like we ran much more aggressively (than at UA)," Vavra said.

Vavra said she is expecting big things from senior Ashley Caffey and junior Megan Russell. She said Caffey and Russell "definitely will take on the leadership" this year.

The Lions qualified for the national meet in 2003 and Vavra said she wants to return.

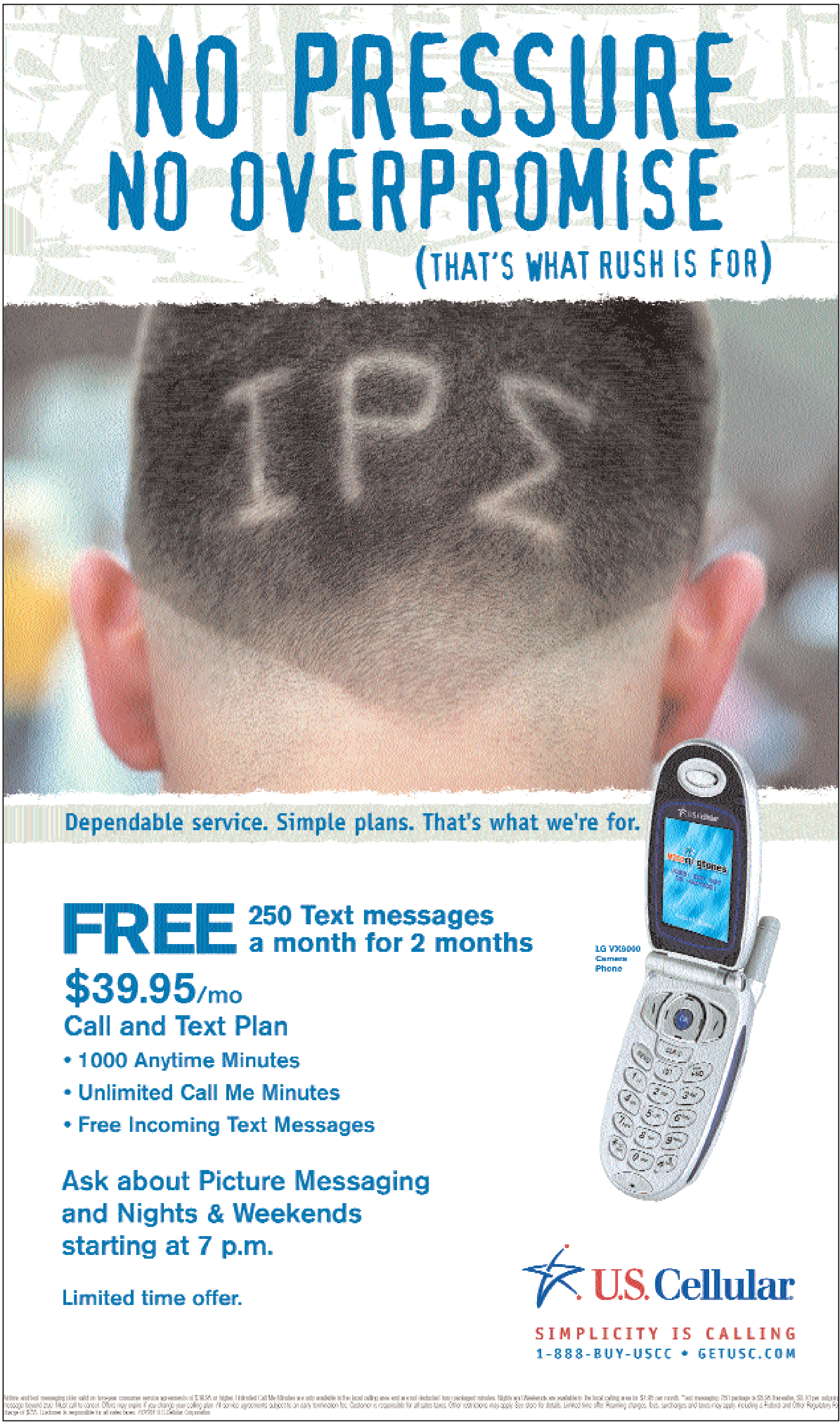
"The goal for this year is to try to equal last year's success," she said.

Vavra said the team's first "real-true" test will be Saturday's "quality" Southern Stampede.

Southern Stampede hosts 34 college teams, from division I colleges to community colleges, and 34 high school teams from four states.

The college women's 5K run begins at 9 a.m. and the college men's 8K run will begin at 9:45 a.m. The stampede will be run at Southern's cross country course.

The high school girls and boys will both run 5K races, starting at 10:45 a.m. and 11:30 a.m. respectively.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# Soccer teams anticipate home advantage

By T.J. Gerlach
Editor-in-Chief

Two road losses opened up the Missouri Southern men's soccer team's Southwest Soccer Conference play.

On Sept. 10, the Lions took on the Midwestern State University Indians in Wichita Falls, Texas. The Indians led the Lions 1-0 after the first 45 minutes.

In the first half, the Lions racked up only two shots to the Indians' 14. MSU's goal came in the 36th minute from Garnet Chisolm's unassisted 30-yard shot.

The Indians extended their lead in the second with two goals.

The first came in the 48th minute. MSU's Myron Davis scored off a rebound. Elliott Gallagher earned the assist. Davis also scored the final goal of the game in the 77th minute. Anthony Ramirez earned the assist on the goal.

On Sept. 12, the Lions traveled to Austin, Texas to take on the St. Edward's University Hilltoppers.

Southern was shutout again, 3-0.

This time the Lions only had one shot in the first half and two in the second.

The Hilltoppers totaled 27 shots in the game.

The first SEU goal came in the 12th minute from Giovanni Barletta with an assist by Josh Garcia. Robert Descant scored in the 42nd minute off an assist by Chris Steele to make the score 2-0. Steele scored the final goal in the closing minutes of the first half unassisted.

The Missouri Southern women's soccer team also played on Sept. 10 and Sept. 12.

The Lions defeated the Washburn Lady Blues 1-0 in the overtime at Topeka.

Senior forward Tera Reisnor scored the golden goal in the 100th minute of the game.

The Emporia State Lady Hornets defeated the Lions on Sept. 12 in Emporia.

The only goal of the game came in the second minute of the second overtime period.

ESU's Brandi Booth scored the goal and Hillary Welch earned the assist.

"Both of them (the games) were close," said Trevor Wachsman, women's head coach. "Washburn had a record-breaking crowd."

Wachsman said the women's team is doing well this season.

He said the most important thing the team is looking for is improvement.

"We've got 3 more games in a row on the road and then we get to be at home," Wachsman said. "We had eight of our first nine on the road, and it's nice to get those out of the way so we can play at home."

The women continue their road games Friday and Sunday in Omaha, Neb. Friday they take on the University of South Dakota coyotes.

Sunday they take on the University of Nebraska-Omaha Mavericks.

The men host the University of Incarnate Wood Cardinals 7 p.m. Friday at Bodon Field.

The St. Mary's University Rattlers come to Southern to play the Lions at 3 p.m. Saturday.

*Adam Fast, director of photography, contributed to this story.*

## Volleyball team remains positive, finds another win

From Staff Reports

Coming off a 1-2 record at Cameron's Coca-Cola Classic Sept. 10-11, the Lions Volleyball team moved to 5-4 after a 3-1 victory over Southwest Baptist University.

Senior Jackie Gallagher led the Lions with 17 kills. Junior Denise Lancaster and freshman Ashley Wright had seven and six respectively.

Head coach Chris Willis was happy with the victory, but said the team learned a lot from the weekend.

"What we found out that weekend was that we have the capability to play with the top 25 teams in the nation," Willis said. "We also found out that we have the capability to lose to anyone out there."

The Lions won their first match 3-0 against West Texas A&M before losing to Cameron University and the University of Central Oklahoma.

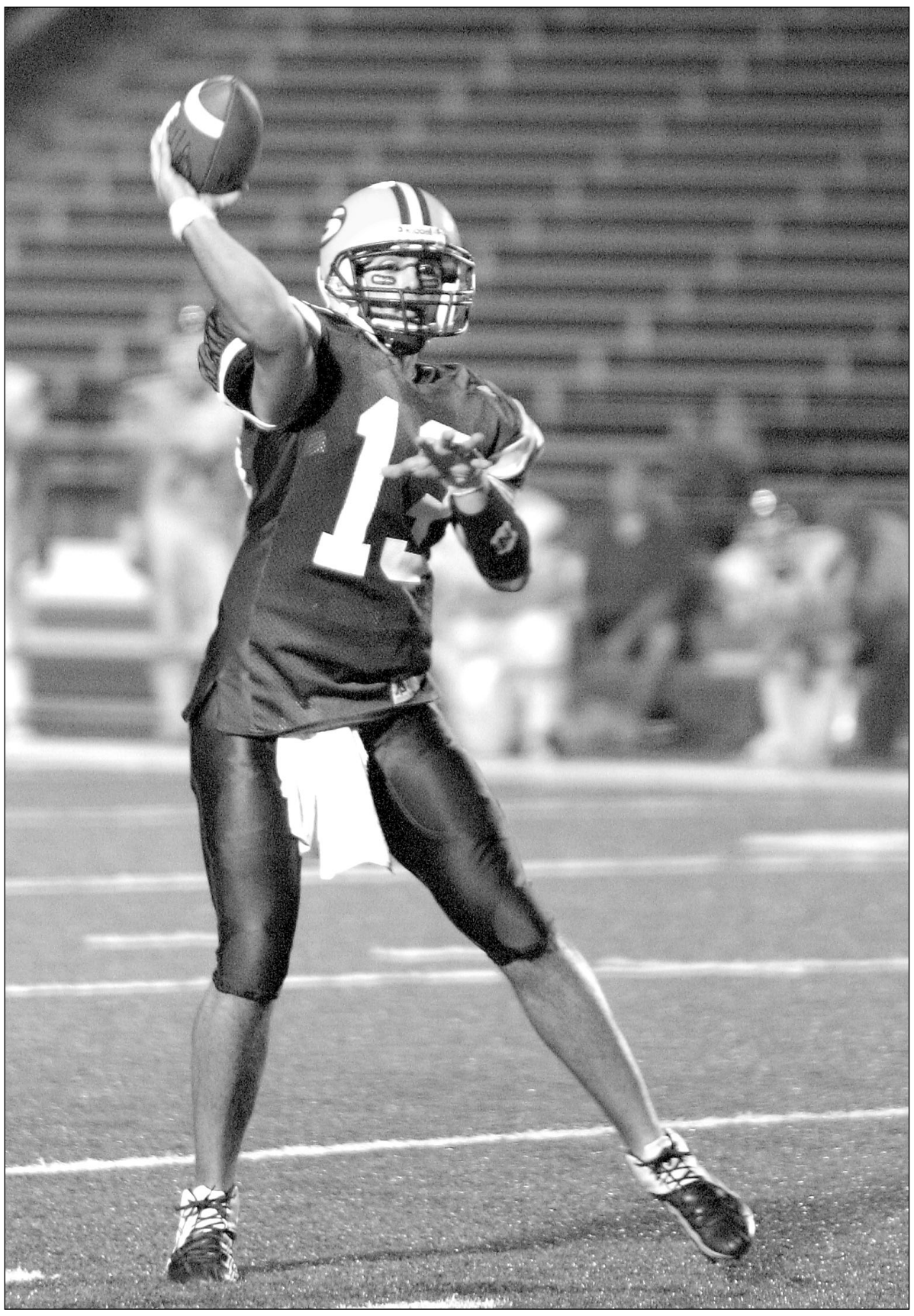
Willis said he would like to see more people come and watch the games, especially to see seniors Sara Jaynes and Gallagher.

"[Gallagher] is one of the top players in the nation," Willis said. "This is the last chance to see her play."

Gallagher has led the Lions in kills in eight of the first nine matches of the season.

Despite disappointment of their performance, Willis remains positive of the team's potential.

The Lions do battle with Henderson State University at 11 a.m. on Saturday and Washburn University at 7 p.m. on Wednesday. Both matches are set to take place in Young Gymnasium.



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**Freshman quarterback Nathan Emert throws a pass during a home game earlier this season. Emert and the Lion's completed their fifth best offensive game in history on Sept. 11 at University of Missouri-Rolla.**

## Lions set tone in conference play with win at Rolla

By Jacob W. Brower
Staff Writer

Lions roared and Miners fell as Missouri Southern defeated University of Missouri-Rolla.

Missouri Southern yielded its fifth-best offensive game in history Sept. 11, recording a 51-21 drubbing of Miners at Allgood-Bailey Stadium to open up MIAA conference play.

The Lions' offense accounted for 594 yards under the direction of freshman quarterback Nathan Emert and dominated in time of possession, chewing up 40:48 minutes of game clock, compared to only 19:12 for the Miners.

The Lions are now 1-0 in conference play and 2-1 for the season. Lions' head coach John Ware said he hopes the win will set the tone for the remainder of the conference schedule.

"I thought it was very important for us to open up conference play with a win," Ware said. "Rolla hasn't won the conference in a while, and they were hungry for a win, so it was important that we set the tone by winning that first conference game."

Sophomore running back Wentric Williams established the Lions' running attack by accumulating 187 yards and two touchdowns on 27 carries. Williams recorded a 1-yard run for the game's opening score with 7:33 left in the first quarter and helped the Lions pull away with a 20-yard touchdown run with 6:21 left in the third quarter.

Emert completed 31 of 42 passes for 347 yards, four touchdowns and an interception, adding one rushing touchdown and four rushing yards. He also found senior wide receiver Craig Winfrey for three touchdowns and connected once with senior wideout DeMarcus Mathes for a score late in the first half.

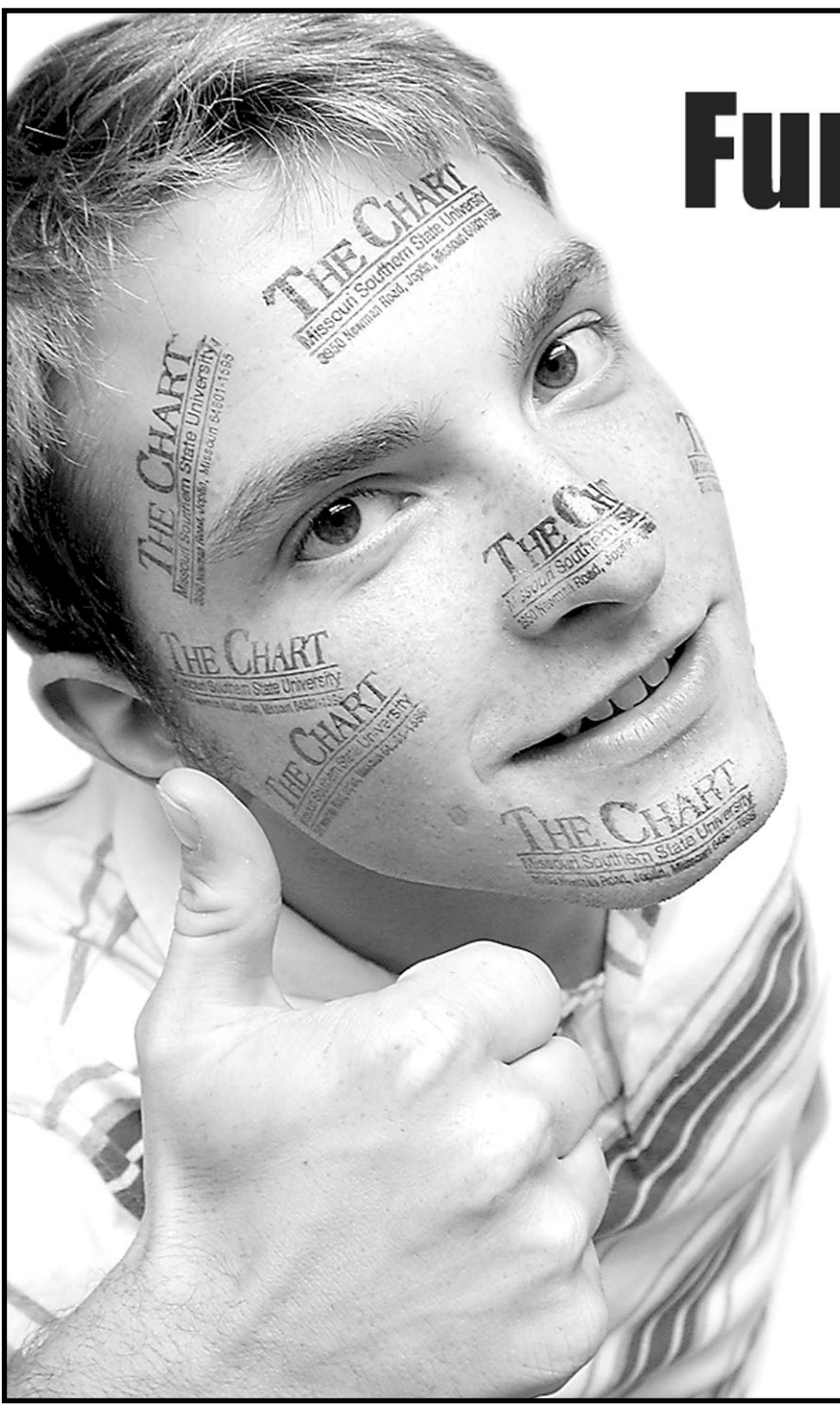
Emert recorded the game's only fourth-quarter points when he scampered seven yards to paydirt with 11:55 left in the game.

Mathes led all Lions' receivers with eight catches for 152 yards and Winfrey had eight catches for 78 yards. Junior wideout Tyson Basore snagged eight catches for 69 yards.

Sophomore Brandon Hawkins kicked a 27-yard field goal to close out the first half and was five for six on extra points.

Junior wide receiver Dustin Bromley, who recorded a 21-yard catch, left the game with an ankle sprain.

The Lions continue conference play 6 p.m. Saturday when they host the Central Missouri State University Mules.

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## THREE YEARS LATER

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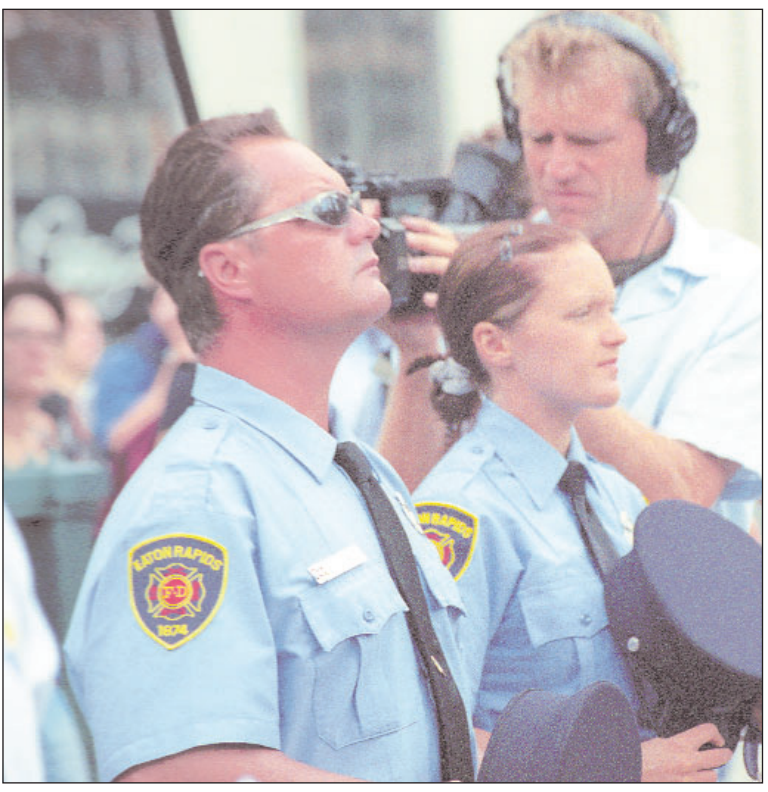
**Kevin King, communications electrician with the FDNY, leans against his truck at Ground Zero on Sept. 10.**



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**Firefighters from across the nation came to ground zero to pay their respects to their fallen comrades.**

*"We come for all the officers who went down in the line of duty. Those of us in law enforcement never forget each other."*

**Officer Joe Tuohy**
*Monmouth County (N.J.) Sheriff's Office*

## 9-11:

*From Page 1*

Daniel Jorge, 43, New York City, also had friends inside the towers.

Jorge was listed in the Air Force reserves and was working nights before the planes hit.

He said he had a friend who had taken a job in the north tower just two weeks before the attacks.

"He was excited to get the job." Jorge said. "If only we knew what was going to happen."

Firefighters from all over the United States and as far off as Milan, Brussels and Japan were seen at the memorial Sept.11.

Numerous police officers were also on hand.

"We come for all the officers who went down in the line of duty," said Officer Joe Tuohy, of the Monmouth County (N.J.) Sheriff's Office. "Those of us in law enforcement never forget each other. We come every year, and we're going to come every year."

Tuohy said he feels the impact of the attacks has faded, but he will always remember.

"I had a friend who was a Port Authority cop who never made it out of the building," he said.

Jim Grell, from Allentown, Penn., said he and his friends "absolutely" had to be at the memorial.

"We're all cops and came to show our respects today," Grell said.

"Our biggest thing was just to come down here and show our respects for the families."

Police officers from London and Oxford were also seen paying their respects.

New York Gov. George Pataki and New York City Mayor Michael Bloomberg were on hand with the families of the victims. No speeches were given, only readings. Pataki quoted President Dwight D. Eisenhower. Former New York City Mayor Rudolph Giuliani read a letter from President Abraham Lincoln to a woman who lost five sons in the Civil War.

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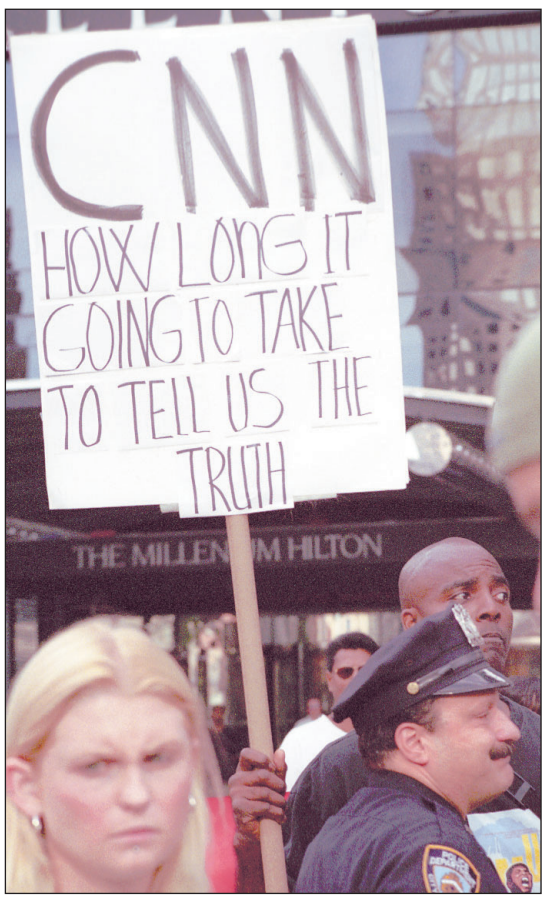
**Firefighters from the New York City Fire Department's Engine Co. 10 stand outside their firehouse, which is across the street from the World Trade Center site during the reading of victim's names.**

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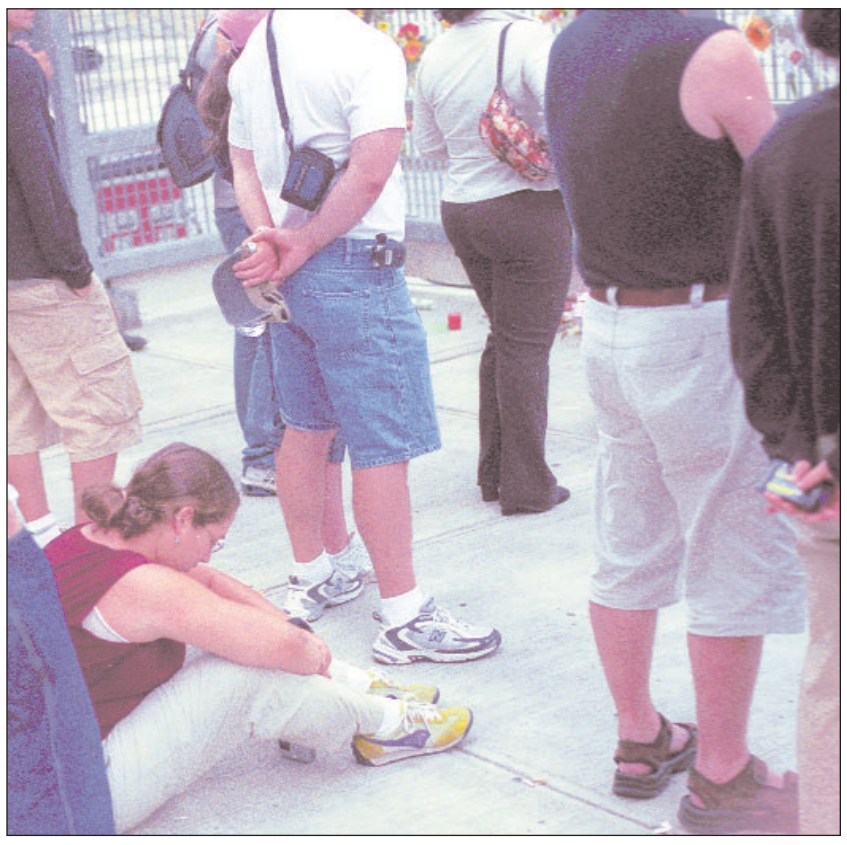
**Numerous protesters showed up to voice their objections to President George W. Bush. Also, one protester claimed he knew about the attacks many years before.**



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**Several people could be seen crying as parents and grandparents read the names of the 9-11 victims.**

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**Left: Firefighters from as far away as Japan, Milan and Brussels could be found at the commemoration ceremony at ground zero.**